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Introduced by Senator VICENTE C. SOTTO III

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING HONORABLE JUAN PONCE ENRILE, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, FOR HIS EXEMPLARY AND INSPIRATIONAL LEADERSHIP DURING THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION ON THE FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, as President of a collegial body tasked with formulating national policies and enacting laws, Senator Juan Ponce Enrile has discharged his duties and responsibilities with competence, integrity, dedication and a keen sense of the Senate's dynamic and positive role in sustaining the growth of Philippine democracy and in the making of the nation's history;

WHEREAS, his leadership contributed to the passage of the following vital legislation:

- R.A. 10155, otherwise known as the General Appropriations Act of 2012;
- R.A. 10156, which confers upon Members of the Sangguniang Bayan, Sangguniang Panglungsod, Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the appropriate Civil Service Eligibility;
- R.A. 10154, which ensures the early release of the retirement pay pensions, gratuities and other benefits of retiring government employees;
- R.A. 10151, entitled An Act Allowing the Employment of Night Workers; and
- R.A. 10157, an Act Institutionalizing the Kindergarten Education into the Basic, Education System;

WHEREAS, aware of the solemn task that the sovereign people, through the Constitution, have vested upon the Senate as an Impeachment

Court, Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile presided over the conduct of the historic impeachment trial of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court with proper decorum, diligence, wisdom and impartiality;

WHEREAS, his vast knowledge of the Constitution, substantive and procedural law, and his sound judgment and exemplary management of the Impeachment Court proceedings has shown our people and the world that Philippine democracy is vibrant, with effective systems of checks and balances and of public accountability in our tripartite system of government;

WHEREAS, even while conducting 44 days of strenuous trials as an Impeachment Court, the Senate under his helm continued to perform its legislative tasks which led to the approval on Third Reading of the following significant bills: Senate Bill No. 2811, which seeks to establish a People's Survival Fund; Senate Bill No. 1537, or the proposed "Witness Confidentiality Act"; Senate Bill No. 2796, or the proposed "Cybercrime Prevention Act"; Senate Bill No. 50, which seeks to establish a Department of Information and Communications Technology; Senate Bill No. 429 which seeks to penalize discrimination against women in the workplace; and Senate Bill No. 2965, or the proposed "Data Privacy Act";

WHEREAS, with his resolute character, independence of mind, high sense of moral rectitude and deep commitment to the national interest, he has led the Senate through his inspired leadership to the pedestal of respect, honor and trust expected from the Chamber by a grateful Filipino nation; *Now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To commend, as it is hereby commends Honorable Juan Ponce Enrile, President of the Senate, for his exemplary and inspirational leadership during the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress.

Adopted,

NTE C. SOTT

Senator